## **HOUSE BILL 1082**

By Brown

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 9, relative to postsecondary financial assistance from net lottery proceeds.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-903, is amended by adding the following language after the last sentence in subsection (b):

THEC's annual report to the education committee of the senate and the education committee of the house of representatives shall include research and analysis of data concerning the award of Tennessee HOPE scholarships to nontraditional students, including, but not limited to, age and marital status of nontraditional students receiving the scholarship, average length of time a nontraditional student requires to reach the semester in which twenty-four (24) semester hours have been attempted, scholarship retention rates and reasons for loss of scholarships. The annual report to be submitted in January 2008 shall include recommendations for any changes to the Tennessee HOPE scholarship program for nontraditional students that THEC finds would facilitate the receipt and retention of such scholarships.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.